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FIND "NO BILL" AGAINST FELDER

Newberry Grand Jury Nullifies
Indictment—Special Charge
from Judge

Special to The State

Newberry Nov. 29.—The grand jury at 11:15 this morning returned the Felder indictment to the court marking "No Bill," which means that they do not think there is enough in the charge to make it proper to send it to a petit jury for trial.

The grand jury's finding on the indictment had been awaited with much interest, and every time since Monday morning that body made its appearance in the courtroom with a batch of indictments the Felder indictment was listened for with intense interest by the large crowd in the courthouse, but nothing was heard of it until just before the adjournment of court for dinner this morning, when it was handed in marked "No Bill, R. C. Counts, foreman." It was the last bill handed in by the grand jury, though among the first batch handed to the jury by the solicitor when court opened Monday morning.

It is reported, though, of course, it can not be vouched for, that the grand jury stood nine to nine at the beginning, and that later two more went over to the number in favor of "true bill," thus making the body stand 11 to 7, 12 being necessary to find "true bill."

The indictment against Felder was taken out upon an affidavit sworn out some months ago by R. Frank Kelley of Bishopville, then member and secretary to the new winding-up commission appointed by Governor Blease to take the place of the former commission, which he had removed. The indictment drawn by Solicitor Cooper some time last spring, shortly after the affidavit was made, charged Thomas B. Felder of Atlanta, Ga., who had assisted the attorney general in recovering for the State a large amount of overcharges of liquor houses that had dealt with the former dispensary board, with having attempted at Newberry in October, 1905, to bribe H. H. Evans, then chairman of the board of control, one count says, with an offer of \$50,000 worth of stock in some big liquor organization that Felder was alleged to be getting up at some unknown place; the second count makes a similar charge but fixing the offer at \$250,000 worth of stock; the third count fixes the offer at \$250,000 in lawful money of the United States.

After the indictment was drawn, Governor Blease issued a requisition on the governor of Georgia for Felder, and it was put in the hands of Sheriff Buford for service. He went to Atlanta to arrest Felder and bring him back, but he refused to come on the requisition and Governor Brown refused to get the requisition.

When the grand jury came into court this morning at 11:30 into court time before preparing for their final presentation the foreman asked Judge Gage whether the grand jurors in considering this bill of indictment could take into consideration the probable expense to the county and the moral effect upon the community and society. The Judge replied that if the grand jurors believed the testimony of the witnesses who had gone before them and that the prosecution was in good faith, it was their duty to find a true bill without regard to the expense to the county. Proceeding, the Judge said that the grand jurors could consider the public facts on record, that there had been several prosecutions in these dispensary cases; that John Black had been tried and convicted in Chester; that James Farnum had been tried and acquitted in Columbia, and that two of the witnesses who went before the grand jury in the case of Felder now under consideration had been tried in Columbia, the jury failing to agree, and that the other witness had been indicted in Newberry, the indictment having been not pressed.

"This case," said his honor, "is out of that 'terrible ex-

periment which the State was induced to make some years ago, and that was an honest effort, to make respectable a nefarious business, that of selling liquor to men. I trust," said he, "that the State has tried that experiment to its heart's content. If you are satisfied," said the judge, "that the prosecution is for a public purpose, or to put it differently, if you are satisfied that the purpose is not for the public good and will not end in the public good, you have a wide discretion in the matter; you can return 'no bill' or you can return the bill to the solicitor, stating that you will not make any finding upon it until more satisfactory proof comes to your hands."

Concluding this special charge to the grand jury, the judge told them: "But, above all things, gentlemen, you should make one thing your pole star, and unless you do that you will go wrong. Put behind you every personal consideration and look to the truth and the truth alone, and plant yourselves firmly upon the truth, and go to that goal to which the truth leads you. If you go at it with this spirit and with this purpose, you are bound to reach a right conclusion; if you go at it with any other spirit and purpose you are bound to go wrong."

The witnesses who went before the grand jury Monday morning to give their testimony on the Felder indictment were: H. H. Evans of Newberry, L. W. Boykin of Camden, and John Bell Towler of Batesburg. Governor Blease was an interested listener in court Monday morning when the Felder indictment was handed out.

The grand jury read their presentment this afternoon and were discharged and court adjourned. Solicitor Cooper, being asked as to what further steps, if any, he proposed to take in the Felder case, replied that he did not care to make any statement at all in regard to the matter.

The Herald and news says: "It is said the grand jury stood ten for 'no bill' and eight for 'true bill' in the Felder case."

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The Chicago Tribune's part in the wonderful exploitation and development of the West is acknowledged by all who are familiar with the matter. A large share of the credit for the settlement of the lands reclaimed by irrigation belongs to it. One of the most potent agencies that it has set in motion toward that end is the Chicago land show, founded by the Tribune in 1909; and it is quite possible that the Southern displays at that very show this year and last year have been directly responsible for the Tribune turning its energies toward Dixie.

"The Tribune has realized that the time has arrived for the development of the South," says that paper, remarking that the most direct and powerful force in the upbuilding of a community is publicity that tells the truth. The Tribune's policy was declared and its position defined in a striking editorial published in its issue of Nov. 15, in which it spoke of "the renewed South" as "the most remarkable economic achievement now under way in the western hemisphere," as "this great phenomenon which is illustrating once more the splendid practical energies, the courage, the faith, the efficiency, the indus-

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The Tribune's editorial was inspired directly by an interview with Senator Fletcher, president of the Southern Commercial Congress, which had been published in its preceding day's issue. Senator Fletcher is known to be an earnest believer in the South and its national importance. The congress which he heads has two general objects—first, to make the South itself appreciate its own resources more intelligently; and, second, to sweep misapprehensions regarding the South out of the nation and the world.

In his interview, which the Tribune gave prominent display, Senator Fletcher pointed out that the South excels in nine resources—coast line, navigable streams, water powers, rainfall, wet lands, soils, growing hours, forests and minerals. He recalled how the South sustained a war loss of three and a half billion dollars worth of property and one-tenth of its population. "No people ever suffered such loss in history and survived," said he. "No more stupendous problems ever faced any people in the world." But the losses have been more than restored, said he, and the property valuations are increasing amazingly each day.

He pointed out that the South is the source of the world's cotton supply, on which it has a practical monopoly unopposed by the West on its own grain and meat supplies, "which face a growing world competition."

The real awakening of the South is just beginning, said Senator Fletcher. Out of six hundred and twenty million acres of land in what is called the South, not 25 per cent. is under cultivation. The lands are the lowest-priced and most productive to be found on the continent.

In an area as large as the British Isles, Germany, France, Switzerland, Austria and Italy all combined, the South has a population of twenty-eight millions as against two hundred and thirty millions in the countries named.

Senator Fletcher described the South's vast natural resources, and its big increasing manufacturing interests, \$300,000,000 being invested in cotton mills alone. There are 3,000 miles of coast line full of harbors. Of the 27,000 miles of navigable rivers in the whole country, 23,000 are in the South.

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The South possesses six hundred varieties of soil, and hundreds of thousands of acres of incredibly rich land, capable of drainage and cultivation.

"Natural resources and opportunities considered, it must be conceded that the choicest field of endeavor lies there," said he. "For stability, honesty and efficiency in governmental affairs—state, county and city—she sets the example."

"Social order, public spirit, constructive effort and educational advantages she enjoys in a marked degree. "Nationally she has been a sort of political orphan. That day ought to pass. The South must play an important part in the growth of the nation. It has taken on a new phase of mind—a constructive, progressive phase—and as it prospers and develops the nation is enriched. "Patriotic, industrious, worthy people are cordially desired, and the tide is setting that way. No such upbuilding and advancement has ever been witnessed elsewhere as we shall see going on in the near future in the majestic domain of the South. This growth of the South makes for the glory of the nation."

All of these very glowing aspects of the renewed South and its resources are borne out in cold facts and figures by the recent issue of the Manufacturers' Record, which contains a special article on Southern industrial activity, noting that there is a very decided revival of industrial activity throughout the South, "not confined to any one part of the South or merely to a few lines of industry, but sweeping over the whole section, from Maryland out to Texas, and covering almost every line of human activity."

Western land operators and colonization people are turning their attention to the waste lands and timbered tracts of the South, says the Record; and it forecasts the energetic exploitation of the South in the same way that has been so effective in inducing immigration to the West, noting that in the Southern states there are idle lands capable of supporting millions of people.

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